**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1.    (Previously Presented)    A method of reducing impact of transmission errors by means of a retransmission protocol, utilizing a retransmission loop involving packet radio transmissions from user equipment to a control element connected to one or more radio base stations, wherein the user equipment radio transmissions ~~being~~ are received at one or more radio base stations for forwarding to the control element, the base station acknowledging, positively or negatively, transmissions from the user equipment and the control element acknowledging, positively or negatively, transmissions forwarded to it.

2.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 1, wherein for a process of retransmission, if same transmitted packet information content is received more than once, the received transmissions are combined.

3.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 2, wherein successive received packet transmissions of the same information content are combined in the base station prior to determining whether or not the radio base station should acknowledge the transmitted information content.

4.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 2, wherein whether or not the packet information content is the same is determined by means of a new data indicator.

5.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 4, wherein the new data indicator, accompanying packet information, is transmitted on a reliable control channel.

6.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 2, wherein the process is identified by means of a process identity.

7.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 6, wherein the process identity, accompanying packet information, is transmitted on a reliable control channel.

8.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 1, wherein the control element reorders received packets.

9.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 8, wherein the received packets are reordered into sequential order.

10.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 9, wherein the sequential order is determined from RLC sequence number.

11.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 9, wherein the sequential order is determined from MAC sequence number.

12.    (Previously Presented)    The method according to claim 1, wherein the method reduces delay of uplink transmissions, the delay being associated with the retransmissions.

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